

Serial No. **10/779,875**
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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, and 13 are currently pending in this application. Claims 1, 8 and 11 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

In the outstanding Office Action, the Examiner indicated that claims 6 and 7 contain allowable subject matter and rejected claims 1 and 8-13 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) based on U.S. Patent No. 7,052,351 issued to Tutt et al. (hereafter "Tutt").

In light of the indication of allowable subject matter in terms of A1 and A2 of the hole blocking layer (claim 6) and the hole blocking layer material itself (claim 7), claims 6 and 7 are rewritten into independent form. Therefore, these claims are now in condition for allowance.

For claims 8-10, claim 9 recited a particular group of compounds for A1 and A2, and claim 10 recited a particular group of compounds as the material of the hole-blocking layer. The Examiner rejected each of claims 9 and 10 based on Tutt, while implicitly indicating that the compounds listed in claims 6 and 7, as A1 and A2 for the hole-blocking layer and the material of the hole-blocking layer, respectively, were not found in Tutt.

Based on this implication, the allowable subject matter of claims 6 and 7 is incorporated into independent claims 8 and 11. More specifically, the A1 and A2 compounds of claim 9 are replaced with those recited in claim 6. Claim 9 is then rewritten into independent form so that it is in condition for allowance.

Similarly, the hole-blocking materials of claim 10 are replaced with the materials recited in allowable claim 7. Then, claim 10 is rewritten into independent form and it is in condition for allowance. With the changes to claims 9 and 10, claim 8 is canceled.

The same types of revisions made to claims 9 and 10 using claims 6 and 7 are done for claims 12 and 13. That is, the A1 and A2 of claim 6 is substituted for the A1 and A2 of claim 12, and claim 12 is rewritten into independent form. Likewise, the hole-blocking materials of claim 7 are substituted for the materials of claim 13, and claim 13 is rewritten into independent form. With the changes to claims 12 and 13, claim 11 is canceled.

To summarize, claims 6 and 7 are rewritten into independent form and are now in condition for allowance. The allowable subject matter of claim 6 has been incorporated into claims 9 and 12, and these claims (now independent) are also in condition for allowance. Finally, the allowable subject matter of claim 7 is incorporated into claims 10 and 13 and these claims (now independent) are also now in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

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If the Examiner believes that any additional changes would place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney, **Daniel Y.J. Kim**, at the telephone number listed below.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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